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For: METHODS AND KITS FOR DIAGNOSING OR  
MONITORING SYNOVIAL OR  
OSTEOARTICULAR DISEASE, COMPRISING  
THE USE OF A SPECIFIC MARKER FOR  
SYNOVIAL TISSUE DEGRADATION

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If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, he or she is requested to call applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000. If any additional fees are required by the present Communication, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge them to our Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

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Respectfully submitted,

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